

VICTORY TURNS EYES ON ADMIRAL STURDEE

British Public Puzzled Over Identity of Hero of Recent Naval Battle.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

LONDON, December 16.—(Ordinary people who do not carry the names of admirals in their heads have been trying to remember why the name of Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee, the victor of the naval battle off the Falkland Islands, seemed familiar. It is not the name of a great family, just a good west-country patronymic borne by solid people like Sir John Jellicoe. Sir John's father was a merchant skipper, "Fred" Sturdee's father a captain in the royal navy. Sturdee, the younger, has had up and down in the navy, in which brilliant periods alternated with times when it seemed likely that he might go on the retired list owing to the inexorable rules of seniority and the supremacy of one naval school or another at Whitehall. It was just that trouble which brought his name before the public before and caused it to bear an uneasy familiarity in the papers.

Subject of "Classification."

In the days when the navy was classified as Fisher and Beresford men, Sturdee was Lord Charles Beresford's right-hand man, and at one period the Fisher men were in the ascendant it looked as though his career was coming to a full stop. However, Sturdee got going again, and all was well. When the war began he went to the admiralty as chief of the war staff, not to be confused with Admiral Madden, chief of staff. Sturdee was emphatically the strong man of the Beresford regime, and it was whispered, quite properly, to hold his own against Mr. Churchill, if need be. With the return of Lord Fisher, Admiral Sturdee hoisted his flag, and has taken the earliest opportunity of showing what stuff he is made of.

Although Admiral Sturdee is a west countryman, and has his home westwards in Hampshire, he is known to the east coast from Scarborough northward, for he visited the ports frequently in 1911 and 1912, when he commanded the third cruiser squadron in its training cruises.

Victory None Can Criticize.

Then his flagship was the Good Hope, and fate has been so kind to him that in a victory none can criticize. It is such a victory that for a long time to come no one will dare to confess to any doubts about the powers of the navy. Of course, level-headed people know that the navy has not changed suddenly since the days when the Emden was eluding the British and the German submarines were most active. In good luck and bad, fair weather or foul, the navy has been doing its best, and a bit more.

People are beginning to realize this, and that but for the silent presence of the navy the much vaunted invasion might have come off. Carpers are now silenced.

BLOCKED BY RED TAPE FROM THE ARMY ROLLS

Louis Dumont, Unable to Prove Birthplace, Is Prohibited From Defending France.

Correspondence of the Associated Press.

PARIS, December 18.—A remarkable instance of red tape in the administration of French affairs is furnished by Louis Dumont of Yvelin in the department of Seine and Oise. He describes himself as "the man without a country."

Dumont was born in Geneva, Switzerland, thirty-three years ago, of French parents, though the official registers of France declare them to be "unknown." Eight days after his birth he was brought to France and has lived here ever since. When he applied to be placed on the recruiting lists, the council of revision declared that he was a foreigner.

"Very well," thought Dumont, "I'll have myself naturalized." But the naturalization bureau also has its red tape. To be adopted as a citizen of France, it is necessary that one prove he is a foreigner. Dumont went to Switzerland, and though no one doubted that he was born on the banks of Lake Lemann, he could not produce any official document proving his Swiss nationality.

An Insufficient Certificate.

Dumont finally succeeded in getting a certificate of birth on Swiss territory, but the Swiss administration added the words: "Still, he is not Swiss."

Dumont came back to Yvelin with this document and presented it to the magistrate of the commune who demanded a declaration from him as a foreigner. "Declare something," the functionary demanded, "even if it's Chinese." Dumont thought he could accept this official advice, so he declared himself a Chinaman. Shortly afterward he was arrested for false declaration. He has since been able to prove his good faith to the transaction, but he was fined sixteen francs, and is still unable to get himself recognized as either Swiss or French, and consequently is unable to join the regular army or the foreign legion.

Wearing Allied Neckwear.

From the Manchester Guardian.

For some reason the British male is peculiarly sensitive about his tie. Considering that it is the one touch of color in his attire, one might expect him to let himself go rather in selecting it. In practice the modesty is the usual thing except among artists. It is unlikely, therefore, that the French, who with their love of color and their taste for the unfamiliar see however it may be with the other. But one allied tie can be worn without shamefacedness. It is mostly black with narrow vertical stripes at long intervals, representing successfully purple (red, white and blue), Belgium (red, black and yellow), and Russia (red, white and green). The stripes are narrow and so far apart that they hardly relieve the black sufficiently.

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BRITISH TAKE WAR ON SILENT CALMNESS

Tidings of Victory Find No Exuberance in London Streets. Dingy Flags.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

LONDON, December 12.—London continues to take the war calmly, in bright as in dark days. It is not the British way now to come out into the streets on days of good news, and perhaps we shall not see during these times of remembrance greater stress such exuberance of delight as marked the latter days in the Boer war. The tidings of the smashing victory in the south Atlantic, which has heartened every one, make no difference in the look of the streets.

Not a single fresh flag was added in the windows to the rather dingy ones that have hung there since the beginning of the war. Nothing could bring out more sharply the different temper in the way of looking at things here and in Germany.

It is certain that if the Germans had won such an engagement the streets of Berlin would be glazing with flags and full of the noise of rejoicing.

No Street Demonstrations.

London goes on taking the war sternly and phlegmatically, and it is, after all, a sign that people realize the butler's in the kitchen. There are still letters in the papers complaining that soldiers are allowed to go away to the war without a cheer, but the silence does not mean that the Londoner does not feel a thrill as he sees them marching away.

There has not been a decent-sized demonstration of any kind since the war began. Even now the crowd has not discovered where the Russian and French embassies are, and the one at the front to show sympathy outside the Belgian legation was officially discouraged.

The same conditions are seen when matters come home to the individual Britisher. He manages his personal affairs with the same disregard of enthusiasm as in national concerns. Far from the railway stations are off-hand matters. Instead of going to the front, perhaps even to return, officers and men might merely be starting for a week end in the country.

Soldiers Well Fed and Healthy.

You may see this sort of thing any day at Victoria station. The two boat trains at Victoria each day are crowded with soldiers going back to the front after a brief run home. They come to the station with their wives, and often with small children, open-eyed with the wonderment of departure, hands not hand. You realize how it is so little has been seen of the holiday-making soldier in the streets—he has spent every moment of his too brief time among his people.

There is nothing of the war-worn warrior about them, they look remarkably well fed and healthy. A big artilleryman, asked whether it was true that the soldiers were getting fat at the front, pointed with a grin to the bursting buttons of his tunic.

"I have come over with our sergeant's mess," he said. "He is not a family man, and he told me I might as well go instead of him—good luck to him! Yes, I'd rather be out there than here; you have got to hold there on something that is like life. Yes, the war is all right, but you do get your feet cold in the trenches."

No Emotion at Train Partings.

That seemed to be the cheery spirit of all these smiling upstanding men, and most of them had been through the worst of it, from the wreckage of the Mons week onward to the stationers in Flanders. By the 1 o'clock train the travelers were mostly officers, who were taking huge piles of mixed baggage with them. They had been commissioned to buy for comrades at the front. There were signs of visits to the shops in the brand-new warm woolies these fellows were wearing. There was no bustle, no emotion and certainly no outward sorrow. Women parted with their mothers, and perhaps, if they were going into the next street, and as if they felt that this was no moment for hurry and excitement.

At the time came near for getting past the barrier children were held up to their fathers' faces for the last time, the mother would say, perhaps, "So long; look after yourself!" and the soldier would straighten himself and stride away down the long, gray platform. Behind the big iron gates some younger soldiers pressed their noses against the glass, thrusting through their big red hands for a final shake, and it was these lads who were waiting for a later train to the front who gave a cheer when the long train moved away.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

DEAFENED BY GUNFIRE

British Government Will Appoint Committee to Consider Measures of Prevention.

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Several officers who recently returned on furlough from the French front were called up for examination and found to have suffered more than a 50 per cent impairment in hearing owing to the incessant ear-splitting reports of their own guns. The exact physiological reason was usually found in a rupture of the drum membrane with occasionally a shattering or concussion of the aural labyrinth.

Both the French and American navies have made special provision for the prevention of gun deafness. The French have several ingenious artificial contrivances, while the Americans are said to use a blinkerlike bandage of vulcanite rubber, with celluloid stoppers for the ear holes. The Japanese are also reported to have adopted mechanical contrivances which lessen the shock on the ear drum.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

A wise man says what he has to say and then shuts up.

Knowledge isn't always power. There is the foot ball court, for instance.

Experience comes high. Still, the automobile factories are busy.

Some people give the impression that they believe every word they say.

You can always tell when a girl is jealous by the way she says she isn't.

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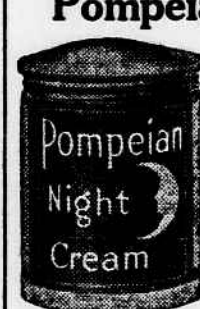
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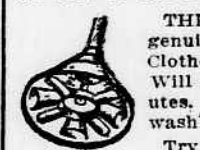
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